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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hans POISEL

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Group Art Unit: 3662

Examiner: N. Moskowitz

For: DEVICE FOR RECEIVING OPTICAL SIGNALS BY MEANS OF A LIGHT-

GUIDING OBJECT

COMMUNICATION TO THE EXAMINER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

A Request for Withdrawal as Attorneys (copy enclosed) was filed on October 11, 2000. Item 6, Allowance of Time for Client to Act, indicates that an Office Action mailed June 22, 2000 is outstanding.

Since October 11, 2000, a response to the Office Action was filed, a copy of which is also enclosed. Besides of the Response, there is no outstanding work for the undersigned firm to complete. Accordingly, it is submitted that the Request for Withdrawal should be promptly granted.

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If there is any questions regarding this Communication or the documents previously filed, such questions can be addressed by telephone to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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